

THE WEATHER.
Generally fair tonight and Thursday except possibly local thunder storm. Cooler Thursday. Warmer east portion tonight.

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THE SUFFERING NOT SO GREAT

The Temporary Structures for the Homeless Increase.

Hospitals Contain Over One Thousand Who Were Injured but Rescued.

LATEST REPORT OF CONDITIONS

San Francisco, April 25.—Temporary structures have been erected in Golden Gate park for the housing of 40,000 people. This work was commenced yesterday by the shelter committee, and the homeless who have been sleeping out of doors for nearly a week are moving into comfortable quarters. About the same time a supply of blankets and bedding was received, and these have been taken to the park. At present there is little suffering, and before a week it is expected that the refugees here will be comfortable.

At the same time the committee is sending as many refugees as possible to interior points.

Work and succor have been promised. The railroads furnish transportation gratis to all who come with an order from the committee.

The seizure begun yesterday of all vacant houses in the unburned district is still under way. Many vacant flats have been taken, where the homeless are housed and the sick are found good accommodations.

A committee of architects has been sent out to inspect churches and other buildings, including school houses, with a view of turning them into living rooms for the homeless.

Many Injured in Hospitals.

Washington, April 25.—The war department received the following from Gen. Greeley today: "Two hundred and twenty-one injured are being cared for at the general hospital in Presidio and 784 at the park emergency hospital, making 1,005 injured reported. Further reports on this subject will not be rendered unless especially called for."

The Conditions Grow Better.

San Francisco, April 25.—Before the ruins are cool workmen are employed clearing away the debris in preparation for new structures.

The exodus is over; after Thursday no more free transportation will be given out without special orders from army headquarters. An effort is being made to keep all able-bodied men here.

Announcement is made that the banks have at their disposal a hundred million dollars when business resumed.

All bank vaults have been examined and found intact. They will not be opened for two or three weeks, however on account of the intense heat.

The militia and policemen are compelling all able-bodied men to work on the streets.

Nose Cut in Two.

The two-year-old son of C. F. Osburn, proprietor of a boarding house at 320 Kentucky avenue, fell from the back porch this morning and struck on a piece of tin. The nose was cut in two. Dr. J. W. Pendley dressed the injury.

Dr. Blitz, of Louisville, Dead.

Dr. Louis Blitz, a whilom Paducahian died yesterday at the Jewish hospital in Louisville. The deceased was a popular young physician of the metropolis and his was a promising life. He left his father and three sisters and two brothers, Mrs. James Weille, of this city, was a cousin. Mr. Blitz is favorably remembered by friends made during his stay here, and all these will regret to learn of his death.

A Bold Daylight Robbery Was An Incident of Today Noon.

A bold daylight burglary was committed a noon today at the residence of Mrs. George Johnson, wife of the well known bill poster, at 320 Monroe street.

Mrs. Johnson had just moved into the house and had not gotten her effects straightened out. At noon she left with her husband for dinner at the McKinney boarding house, at Fourth and Madison streets. On her return at 1 o'clock she found the house had been entered through a

COULDN'T ESCAPE.

Killed Men Rather Than See Them Burn.

Salt Lake City, Utah, April 25.—That three men were shot to death on a blazing roof in San Francisco to keep them from burning alive, is asserted by Max Fast, a garment worker, who came here yesterday. "When the fire caught the Windsor Hotel, at Fifth and Market," said Mr. Fast, "there were three men on the roof and it was impossible to get them down. Rather than see the crazed men fall in with the roof and be roasted alive the military officer directed his men to shoot them, which they did in the presence of 5,000 people. I saw great stones fall on three men near the city hall, crushing them to death. In Union Square I stood beside a woman who died actually from fright and thirst. Her last request was for water, and we had none to give her."

DARING MATTEUCCI.

Goes to Crater of Vesuvius on Inspection Trip.

Naples, April 25.—Prof. Matteucci today succeeded in reaching the crater of Vesuvius. The diameter of the crater, which before the eruption was about 100 feet is now about 5,000 feet. The cone of the crater is diminished about 800 feet.

GREAT SUCCESS

CONFEDERATE REUNION AT NEW ORLEANS NOW UNDER WAY.

Sixty Thousand Veterans Present to Meet Old Army Comrades Once More.

New Orleans, April 25.—Under propitious weather conditions and with fully 60,000 veterans present the Confederate veterans' reunion began this forenoon. The promise of the past few days that this would be the largest in point of attendance of any reunion held for years has been more than realized. Already this is assured and still more are coming to be present during the remaining days of the reunion.

Gen. S. D. Lee, commander-in-chief of the United Confederate veterans, arrived late Monday night and attended a dinner at which he and "Corporal" Tanner, grand commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, were joint guests of honor. Yesterday Gen. Lee held a reception in the parlors of the St. Charles hotel for the members of his staff, which was largely attended. He said that there are no features of especial importance to come up at the present reunion, and in view of this fact, expressed himself as highly gratified at the prospect of a record-breaking attendance. The numerous affiliated societies have opened headquarters in various parts of the city and today entered actively upon their program of entertainment of visitors.

As yet, but two cities, Birmingham Ala., and Richmond, Va., have been mentioned as places for the next reunion.

Gen. Stephen Lee, the commander, when he appeared at the reunion hall this forenoon was given a real ovation.

The exercises today consist mostly of speech making.

CZAR IS TO PRESIDE.

He Will Thus Appear in Public First Time for Over Year.

St. Petersburg, April 25.—The czar will open the new National duma and council of the empire in person May 10. This will be the first public appearance of the czar in St. Petersburg since the "Bloody Sunday" in January of last year.

LIES IN COFFIN, STILL MAY LIVE

Physicians Wisely Delay The Burial of Supposed Corpse.

Case of New York Girl Who Seems Dead Yet Shows Signs of Life Is Puzzling.

CATALEPSY APPARENT CAUSE.

New York, April 25.—Veronica McCann, a beautiful child, is lying in a white coffin in the home of her parents, 218 West Eighteenth street. They do not know whether she is dead or alive. Dr. Frazier who attended the child, has ordered the funeral postponed until he can be sure. The parents are distracted. All the neighborhood is aroused.

The McCann family is in moderate circumstances. It consists of Henry McCann, his wife, three girls and a boy. Veronica, ever since her second year, has been in poor health because of heart disease.

Dr. Frazier, formerly of the Hotel Bartholdi, has been the family physician for ten years. He treated Veronica McCann with such success that, in spite of her weak heart, she was able to run about and play.

Veronica McCann stayed home from school three weeks ago because of illness. She grew steadily worse, and last Monday drooped set in. Her lower extremities became swollen. The child collapsed utterly at 5 o'clock Wednesday morning. Breathing ceased. The heart, so far as Dr. Frazier could tell, stopped beating. Dr. Frazier wrote a certificate of death from heart failure. An undertaker was called.

Tinge of Color in Checks.

There was nothing unusual in the case except that a faint tinge of color remained in the cheeks, her lips were still red, and her little limbs remained flexible. There was no trace of rigor mortis. Dr. Frazier did not call again after writing the death certificate. Neighbors sat up with Mr. and Mrs. McCann on Wednesday night and on Thursday night. The funeral was to have been held at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. A few minutes before that time the Rev. Father McGrath, of St. Francis Xavier's church, on West Sixteenth street, arrived at the house. The little parlor was filled with mourners. There were many flowers, among them a shield of white roses sent by Victoria's classmates in the school of the church of St. Vincent de Paul, on West Twenty-third street.

Father McGrath was struck by the color in the child's face. He raised the hands of the little girl. "The doctor ought to see this child at once," said Father McGrath. "It is not certain by any means that she is dead."

Instantly the rumor began to spread: "Veronica McCann is alive."

It happened that Dr. Frazier came in at that moment to attend the services. He examined the body and found the appearances which had surprised Father McGrath.

"I will not take the responsibility of declaring the child alive," he said. "But the funeral must not proceed now. As long as there is a possibility of her being alive we must go no further. I must have a consultation."

The mourners were dismissed. Soon the rumor ran through the neighborhood that a dead girl had come to life.

No Infallible Sign of Death.

Dr. Frazier called in another physician, and they examined the child's body. They could find no infallible sign of death. Rather the appearances were those characteristic of catalepsy. They tried to revive the child, but could not. The body was put back in the coffin.

The mother of Veronica collapsed. "I don't know what to think," she said. "My poor child was sick so long—oh, it's a cruel thing that we can do nothing for her!"

The reporter looked at the little girl. Her lips were red, but the faint pink color had left her cheeks. Her hands were soft as the hands of a living child, but deathly cold. The finger tips and nails were dark purple.

"We all fear there is no hope," said Veronica's aunt, as she noticed this. "The suspense is awful."

The grief of the parents was more intense than the grief over death itself.

However, the less a man talks the more he doesn't have to apologize.

WAS MOST HORRIBLE.

Shrieking Maniacs At Agnew Were Tied to Trees.

Salt Lake City, April 25.—Nothing could be more terrible than the calamity at Agnew's asylum near San Jose, as described by R. L. Drinkwater of Denver. He said last night: "We went to Agnew's, where we had a friend, and found the asylum in ruins and 200 demented creatures buried there. It was a sight to transfix one with horror to see scores of madmen and women strapped to trees, all over the grounds, crying, shrieking and cursing."

"The excitement of the falling building made them mad indeed, and the uncanny looks and fiery eyes were terrible to behold. Nothing could be done for them, and every sane man, woman and child available was digging to release the other unfortunates buried in the ruins."

AFTER DELINQUENTS.

Auditor's Agent Lucas Files Fifty-Four Tax Suits at Lebanon.

Lebanon, Ky., April 25.—Auditor's Agent Frank A. Lucas has filed in the county clerk's office here fifty-four suits against people of this county for taxes alleged to have been omitted from the tax lists for the past five years. The suits amount to \$51,400, and the trials will not come up for several weeks.

WILL STAND UP

SAN FRANCISCO LOSSES WILL BE PAID IN FULL.

Officials of Insurance Companies Say Though Hurt They Will Come Out All Right.

New York, April 25.—There has been talk in the financial district of this city to the effect that several American fire insurance companies would have to go out of business on account of their loss by the San Francisco fire. It was even said that several companies were expected to go into liquidation immediately because it would be impossible for them to meet the losses, says the Tribune.

No company, however, has admitted inability to pay losses and officials of some of the companies mentioned in the reports as being crippled declared the losses will be paid in full and that the companies would go on. It was said that in several cases the stockholders would make up the deficiencies by assessments.

Officials of some of the fire insurance companies were talking about raising rates, but there was no definite movement to such an end started. It was said that it might be necessary to have a uniform raise in insurance rate to provide for such emergencies as the San Francisco disaster. Fire insurance officials in this city received many dispatches from their agents at San Francisco yesterday, but the messages did not give much information regarding losses.

In most cases the agents reported that all the maps and other records of insurance at the agencies were in vaults which could not be reached on account of the fire in the ruins of buildings.

In the absence of more definite information than was on file in the New York offices, few insurance men make estimates of the losses of the companies. The belief seemed to be gaining ground, however, that the insurance losses would not reach the high estimates of last week, and probably would be below \$125,000,000.

MANY ARE DROWNED.

Belgian Training Ship and Trawlers Go to the Bottom.

Dover, England, April 25.—The Belgian training ship Count De Smet De Naeyer foundered off Prawle Point today. Captain and 33 of those who were on board were drowned.

Copenhagen, April 25.—News reached here today that two Danish trawlers with 40 men on board foundered recently in a gale off the coast of Iceland. A third boat with a crew of 30 is also believed to have been lost.

SULTAN OF TURKEY ILL.

London Reports That His Condition Is Very Critical.

London, April 25.—The Pall Mall Gazette states that the sultan of Turkey is in such a serious condition that his death may be expected at any moment.

MANY FISSURES FOUND IN ROADS

Earth Badly Cracked and Railroad Tracks Sunk.

Visits to the Section Contiguous to San Francisco Develop Serious Conditions.

GRUESOME SCENES IN FRISCO.

San Francisco, April 25.—An Associated Press reporter who made a trip to various towns in Sanmato county reached headquarters today. He reports much damage in several places in that county. Redwood City appears to have sustained the most damage to buildings. San Carlos and Belmont suffered slightly.

Sanmato damage was considerable. The Southern Pacific depot was partly wrecked carrying down all telegraph and telephone wires with it. South San Francisco, lying along the line of Sanmato county, sustained considerable damage in places.

Railroads through South San Francisco and near Holy Cross cemetery were badly damaged by the quake, sinking in many places as much as six feet. Considerable damage was done to gravestones and monuments in cemeteries.

The coast towns of Pescadero and Half Moon Bay report damage to houses. Country roads to these points are impassable owing to large fissures in many places.

St. Patrick's seminary and the mansions of the Floods, Nicholls and other San Francisco people, who home at Sanmato, were seriously damaged by the earthquake.

Students at the seminary have been sent to their respective homes and the institutions will practically have to be rebuilt.

Starved Dogs Devour the Dead.

San Francisco, Cal., April 25.—One of the gruesome scenes that has followed the fire, was that witnessed on Telegraph and Russian hills and along the entire north beach front today when scores of half starved dogs were found eating human bodies.

The animals were discovered gnawing and tearing at corpses half buried in the ruins. Where only a leg or an arm protruded the dogs were digging for the rest of the body.

Blue jackets were detailed to kill all dogs found. All morning rifle reports could be heard on the hillsides and along the beach as the dogs were killed. Men were pressed into service either to bury the bodies of the dogs killed or throw them into the bay. In a few places smoldering fires were found and there it was possible to cremate the animals.

It was not believed there were so many dead in the ruins of Telegraph and Russian hills until the dogs were found there digging for bodies.

Harvest to Newsboys.

Oakland, Cal., April 25.—The newsboys are reaping a harvest, many of them clearing \$30 to \$40 a day. The line in front of the Tribune office every afternoon is two blocks long, and places near the door are readily sold to other boys who arrive later and do not want to wait for their papers. So numerous are the little fellows and so anxious to secure their afternoon stock, that two militiamen are required at each newspaper office to keep them in order. Their numbers have been reinforced by many newsboys from San Francisco, whose occupation across the bay is gone.

The Militia Condemned.

San Francisco, April 25.—That the militia, unlike the regular troops are not all working in harmony with the local authorities is evidenced by a letter sent tonight by Mayor Schmitz to General Koster, commander of the National Guard, notifying him of the numerous complaints of the militia impressing citizens without using ordinary discrimination and notifying him that until the militia is relieved by the police or federal troops that this action must stop. The sheriff made a protest against the course of the militia.

Lipton Cables \$50,000.

London, April 25.—Sir Thomas Lipton, who is accompanying King Edward at Athens during the Olympic games festival, has cabled a message of sympathy to Mayor Schmitz, of San Francisco with a donation of \$50,000 for the sufferers.

NO MATERIALS FOR WORK.

Hence Skilled Labor Is Not Needed Now in San Francisco.

Oakland, Cal., April 25.—Mayor Mott has been notified that several cities of the state have been placarded with statements to the effect that skilled labor is eagerly sought in San Francisco. He says that such notices are erroneous, as there is no material in San Francisco for mechanics to work with.

"I am informed," said Mayor Mott, "that notices have been posted in several cities of the state, declaring that as much as \$1.50 an hour is paid for skillful labor in San Francisco. At the present time there are unemployed mechanics in the burned city who are unable to work on account of the lack of material. At present all work in San Francisco is confined to the clearing away of debris and the repairing of water mains and the sewer system."

WELLMAN OFF FOR EUROPE.

Newspaper Correspondent Who Is Going to North Pole Sails.

New York, April 25.—Walter Wellman, the newspaper correspondent who will next June make an attempt to reach the North Pole by dirigible balloon, sailed away Tuesday for Europe on the steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II.

CASE CLOSED

MOTION FOR BOND IN WISDOM WILL IS WITHDRAWN.

Mrs. Bronston So Satisfied With Response of Executors That Action Is Over.

The affidavit filed two days ago in court by Mrs. Bell Bronston against Mr. George C. Wallace and Rev. W. E. Cave, to require them to give bond as executors of the will of H. B. Wisdom, has been withdrawn with the motion, and the matter closed.

Mr. Wallace filed an affidavit with itemized statement of the expenditures of the executors, since the death of the deceased, and the answer was so complete that the plaintiff withdrew all papers in the action, and the case was ordered closed this morning. The executors will not be required to give a bond.

TRIANGULAR FIGHT.

Cowboys, Indians and Troopers Battle On Umatilla Reservation.

Pendleton, Ore., April 25.—A report has reached here which cannot be verified owing to the telegraph wires being down, that a battle has taken place on the Umatilla reservation between cowboys, Indians and troops. It is reported that three soldiers and three Indians were killed. It is alleged that the trouble was caused by cattlemen driving stock upon a remote part of the reservation at Adams the nearest point to the scene, the rumor is fully credited.

Fatal Pistol Duel.

Lancaster, Ky., April 25.—Deputy Marshal George Pollard is dead as the result of a wound received in a duel with William Humber, on the "chute" last evening, and Humber is in jail dangerously wounded. Earlier in the day Pollard arrested Humber, and struck him over the head with a stick. They met in about an hour and a pistol battle at close range followed, each firing six shots. Pollard leaves a wife and eight children. Humber is unmarried.

Indefinitely Postponed.

Los Angeles, Cal., April 25.—The annual meeting of the Mystic Shriners which was to have been held here May 17 to 24 has been indefinitely postponed on account of the calamity in San Francisco.

Connections With Fast Chicago Train to be Given Paducah Soon.

General Agent J. T. Donovan, of the I. C. railroad, today received the information that starting Sunday, April 29th, a train to connect with the fast train from Cairo to Chicago will leave here at 6:15, connecting with the train at Cairo at 7:15 and arriving in Chicago at 7 o'clock the next morning.

The announcement will come as good news to the patrons of the road, as for some time past the night connection for Chicago has been very bad, the train leaving here at 3:30 in the afternoon and arriving at Chicago the following morning at 7 o'clock.

SIX MILLIONS IS THE ESTIMATE

President of Chamber of Commerce on Frisco's Loss.

Good Work Done by the Dynamite Squad Saved Many Homes Say Authorities.

WALLS STILL BEING LEVELLED.

New York, April 25.—Several of the fire insurance companies were told of a statement made today by Hugh Craig, former president of the San Francisco chamber of commerce and a veteran fire insurance agent, on the Pacific coast in which Mr. Craig declared that the property loss would reach \$600,000,000 and insurance liabilities would be at least \$325,000,000. All who heard Mr. Craig's statement said he was too high in his figures, but admitted that his method of calculation was not unsound.

The Dynamite Heroes.

San Francisco, April 25.—Three heroes saved San Francisco, what is left of it. They were the dynamite squad that threw back the fire demon at Van Ness avenue.

When the burning city seemed doomed and the flames lit the sky further and further to the west, Admiral McCalla sent a trio of his most trusted men from Mare Island with orders to check the conflagration at any cost of life or property. With them they brought a tin and a half of gun-cotton. The terrific power of the explosive was equal to the maniac determination of the fire.

Capt. McBride was in charge of the squad. Chief Gunner Adamson placed the charges and the third gunner set them off.

The thunderous detonations to which the terrified citizens listened all that dreadful Friday night meant the salvation of 300,000 lives. A million dollars' worth of property, noble residences and worthless shacks, were blown to drifting dust, but that destruction broke the fire and sent the raging flames back over their own charred path.

Walls Being Razed.

San Francisco, April 25.—The work of razing dangerous walls continues. In a few days there will be no such hindrances to a general removal of all debris.

All places of business have reopened but the saloons. They will remain closed under orders for the balance of the week or longer.

The president of the board of health reports the city's sanitary condition as absolutely under control, with but forty cases of smallpox in the detention hospital.

Three street car lines are operating today.

FOR SMALL SUMS.

Bill Submitted to Congress Providing for Sale of Postal Note.

Washington, D. C., April 25.—The adoption of a postal note as a convenient means of transmitting small sums through the mail is proposed in the draft of a bill submitted to congress today by Postmaster General Cortelyou. The form of postal note which the postmaster general thinks will combine simplicity and safety, will be sold at a lower fee than is charged for the present postal money order and will not impair the revenues of the service. Special postal notes of one to nine cents inclusive will be sold at face value without fee. Regular postal notes will be for 10 cents to \$2.50. A fee of one cent will be charged for notes 10 to 40 cents, and two cents for notes 50 cents to \$2.50.